Organizational Changes, Contract Monitoring Unit Coming

Next month, changes are coming to the organizational structure of the department that will help better align the MDOC as we continue our focus on offender success and the goals and strategies Dir. Washington has outlined.

Continued accountability will also be a key feature of these changes, as well as a new reporting structure for several vital components of this department with the abolishment of the Office of the Chief Deputy Director.

With that will come a new office of executive affairs, a new unit, and of course, a few new acronyms.

Dir. Washington's vision for the department revolves around the idea of offender success and doing our best to help them break the pattern of criminal behavior.

One of the ways we will help facilitate that and focus on offenders moving from prison to parole is to transfer the Detroit Reentry Center and Detroit Detention Center to Field Operations Administration from Correctional Facilities Administration. This move is a reflection of the fact that this programming-focused facility primarily serves parolees. The move will not have an impact on staffing at the facility.

The Reentry Administration will continue to report to the Director. All of these changes will take place effective Dec. 6, 2015.

With the elimination of the Office of the Chief Deputy Director, the Office of Executive

Affairs (OEA) will be established to provide an appropriate reporting structure for the following functional areas: EPIC, Internal Affairs, and Discipline. The OEA will also be responsible for MDOC Strategic Planning, MDOC Scorecard Administration and liaison with the SOM Office of Good Government. An Administrator position will be established to lead the OEA.

The Procurement, Monitoring and Compliance Division (PMCD) will also be established to house the Procurement Unit, the Contract Monitoring Unit (newly established) and the PREA Unit. The PMCD will also be responsible for coordination of audits; Office of Risk Advisory Service audits, Office of the Auditor General audits, and Internal Control Evaluations (ICE). The PMCD will be under the direction of Administrator Gulick. The Accounts Payable Unit will be incorporated into the newly named Budget, Accounting and Projections Division under the direction of Administrator Shannon Pike. Anita Talcott will assume the Chief Accountant duties previously handled by Lia Gulick.

Also, Michigan State Industries will transfer to Budget and Operations Administration from Correctional Facilities Administration.

For those who have questions about these changes, more information will be coming from your administrators in the weeks leading up to these changes taking place next month. You can also email any questions you may have to correctionsinfo@michigan.gov and we will work to provide you with those answers in a timely fashion.